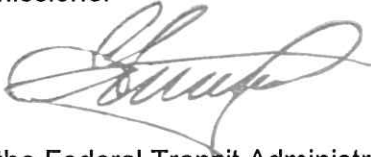


Memorandum



Date: July 23, 2012

To: Honorable Chairman Joe A. Martinez and Members
Board of County Commissioner

From: Carlos A. Gimenez
Mayor 

Subject: Grant Presentation from the Federal Transit Administration (FTA)

On Wednesday, July 25, 2012, at 10:30 a.m., United States Secretary of Transportation Raymond "Ray" H. LaHood and Federal Transit Administrator Peter Rogoff will visit Metrorail's new Miami International Airport Station, 3800 NW 25 Street, where they will present Miami-Dade Transit (MDT) with a \$10 million dollar grant for the purchase of new diesel electric hybrid buses. The grant is being awarded under the State of Good Repair Program.

The event is taking place in the busbay area. Parking will be available on the 4th floor roof level of the Rental Car Center (RCC) and the Miami-Dade Transit Facility across from the MIA Metrorail station. Transit staff will assist with parking.

The FTA will also highlight the new safety authority granted to FTA through the bill Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century or MAP-21. Under the new transportation law MAP-21, the FTA can define and establish a State Safety Oversight program to ensure that transit-rail systems meet stringent safety requirements. FTA will implement the new law in consultation with the transit community and the U.S. Department of Transportation Transit Rail Advisory Committee for Safety, which has been working on the effort since September 2010.

If you have any questions, please contact Ysela Llort at 786-469-5406. We hope you can join us for this special visit.

c: Alina T. Hudak, Deputy Mayor/County Manager
Ysela Llort, Director, Miami-Dade Transit